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The Edmondson Heights Neighborhood News

A Covenant Controlled Community

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Edmondson Heights Civic Association meets the first Tuesday of the month at Edmondson Heights Elementary School at 7:30 PM during the school year.

Note: School closing because of weather or holidays will automatically cancel the meeting.

EDMONDSON HEIGHTS COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP

DATE: Saturday, September 22, 2018
PLACE: Parking Lot Edmondson Heights Elementary School
TIME: 8:00 AM until 12 AM or until dumpsters are full.
SPECIAL NOTE: Please be prepared to show proof of Edmondson Heights residency with any document showing your address in hand.

The dumpsters will be at the school for this once a year event Rain or Shine. Remember, first come, first served. Once the dumpsters are full you will be turned away. Per Baltimore County, the dumpsters cannot be overflowing.

THIS EVENT IS SPONSORED BY THE EDMONDSON HEIGHTS CIVIC ASSOCIATION, INC.

ACCEPTABLE FOR DISPOSAL

Yard Waste: Includes brush, leaves, small tree stumps, logs and wood pieces under 6 feet long. Brush must be cut down, no full size tree limbs.

SCRAP METAL: Includes metal furniture, lawn chairs, lawn mowers without fluids, washers, dryers and household junk that is primarily metal.

RESIDENTIAL WASTE: Includes non-metal appliances, furniture, repair and remodeling scraps, old rugs and carpeting.

UNACCEPTABLE FOR DISPOSAL

Electronic Equipment
Hazardous Substances
Paint, Chemicals, Pesticides
Oil, Gasoline, Anti-freeze
Concrete and Stone bigger than 18 inches
Reinforcing Bars, Steel Rods
Railroad Ties
Food Waste
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Tree Stumps larger than 36 inches
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Be informed, Get informed, Join the Edmondson Heights email data base and start receiving emails providing current and relative information. To join, send an email to: president@ehcaonline.org with your name and address and we will add you. We currently have more than 500 email addresses out of 1010 homes signed up to receive community news via email. *Your email address will never be sold or given to a third party without your permission.*

**Income & Expense Report
01/01/2018 through 06/30/2018**

Income

Advertising Revenue	\$ 1,011
Donations/Gifts	5
Dues Prior to 2017	2,599
Dues 2017	543
Dues 2018	7,390
Dues 2018	20
Interest Income	2
Paypal Income	<u>2</u>

Total Income **\$11,572**

Expenses

Lawn & Garden	\$ 1,043
Postage	750
Newsletter Expenses	656
EZ Storage Fees	648
EHES Book Fair Donation	500
Liability Insurance	325
Post Office Box Rental	250
Community Sign Replacement	212
Gift Cards—Contest Winners	90
Office Supplies	66
Professional Fees	<u>65</u>

Total Expenses **\$ 4,604**

Total Income **\$ 6,967**

Councilman Quirk's Contacts

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2018 Community Events

Dates to Remember

*Mark your calendar for EHCA meetings at
Edmondson Heights Elementary School
the first Tuesday of every month.
This is your neighborhood.
Join your neighbors to keep it wonderful!*

- 09/04/2018** Edmondson Heights Community Meeting at 7:30 pm in the EHES Cafeteria.
- 09/22/2018** Community Clean Up—Dumpsters in the Edmondson Heights Elementary School parking lot from 9 am until Noon.
- 10/02/2018** Edmondson Heights Community Meeting at 7:30 pm in the EHES Cafeteria.
- 11/13/2018** Edmondson Heights Community Meeting at 7:30 pm in the EHES Cafeteria.
- 12/04/2018** Edmondson Heights Community Meeting at 7:30 pm in the EHES Cafeteria.



**The Edmondson Heights Neighborhood
Annual Garden Contest**

The Edmondson Heights Civic Association, Inc. likes to recognize the gorgeous gardens and lawns that beautify our neighborhood. Our Garden Committee volunteers toured the neighborhood throughout the spring and summer months to select winners.

Our winners this year were:

- 1102 Newfield Road**
- 1108 Harwall Road**
- 1403 Barrett Road**
- 1636 Forest Park Avenue**

All of the front yards had colorful flowers from the porches and down the sidewalks. There was one that even had a dog digging in the garden—a delightful sense of humor.

The winners will receive a \$30 gift card in recognition of their beautiful gardens.

The Principal's Column

Dear Community Members:

Greetings from Edmondson Heights Elementary School! We are so excited to embark on a new school year! This year our enrollment is expected to be somewhat lower than in previous years. We are projected to have 500 students after spending the 2017-18 school year with 550 students. Our lower numbers will afford us the opportunity to provide even more individualized instruction to our pre-school through 5th graders!

This year we welcomed five new faculty members to the Edmondson Heights team. We are pleased to introduce Ms. Cassiere (special educator), Mr. Robbins (library media specialist), Mr. Freeland (school counselor), Ms. Nearhouse (school counselor), and Ms. Drummond (pre-k teacher). We feel certain that the 2018-19 staff is the strongest faculty we've had to date and everyone is fully committed to helping our students learn and grow as much as possible over the course of the next ten months! We are so excited to see how much our students will achieve this year!

We are in search of volunteers to join our amazing team as well. We are looking for responsible, kind adults who are willing to volunteer with us in a number of different capacities. We are looking for help with the following tasks:

Pre-School, Pre-K, or Kindergarten Classroom Volunteers- help with daily classroom activities

The "Parent Patrol"-a group of adults (who aren't necessarily parents of a student!) who work with our Family Engagement Liaison to greet and monitor our hallway visitors and traffic

Cafeteria Volunteers-adults who interact with students during lunch time in order to build relationships and guide our youngsters

Readers-adults who are willing to come to school to sit with one student or a small group of children to read books aloud to foster the love of reading

Math Tutor Volunteers-work with individual students on basic facts and problem-solving

Classroom Volunteers-assist in any grade with filing, cutting, copying, etc.



If you are interested in volunteering with us and becoming part of our team, please contact our Family Engagement Liaison, Mrs. Nakia Winchester, at nwinchester@bcps.org or call our school at 410-887-0818. She will help get you started based on your interests and availability. We can't wait to meet you and see the great work you will do with our students! I welcome your thoughts, concerns, and questions so please be in touch. The best way to reach me is by email at jmcdivitt@bcps.org. Thank you so much!

Edmondson Heights Civic Association, Inc. Annual Residence Dues

The 2018 annual residence dues are still \$20 per residence and are due and payable January 1st through December 31st of this calendar year.

Dues letter invoices were mailed to each residence in Edmondson Heights in early February 2018. Dues are mandatory and have been mandatory since July 1, 2005. Your dues enable the Association to:

- *Ensure a safe, attractive community with covenant enforcement actions and community input.*
- *Sponsor activities of the Edmondson Heights Elementary School and Parent Teacher Association.*
- *Publish our quarterly Edmondson Heights Neighborhood Newsletters.*
- *Sponsor activities for the benefit of the all community members such as Project Clean Spring, Community Picnic, National Night Out, and Fall Community Cleanup.*
- *Encourage beautification of the community by sponsoring the Holiday Decoration and Summer Garden contests, as well a planting and maintaining the flower gardens under the 3 community signs.*

REMEMBER TO PAY YOUR DUES THIS YEAR. Please remit payment of \$20 by check or money order made payable to EHCA, Inc. and mail it to EHCA, PO Box 21150, Catonsville, Md 21228. You can also pay by PAY-PAL (\$21 to cover the PayPal fee) by going to our website at www.ehcaonline.org. All funds raised go back in support for the betterment of the Edmondson Heights community.

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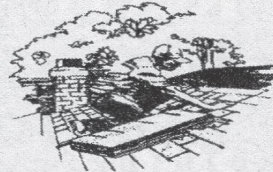
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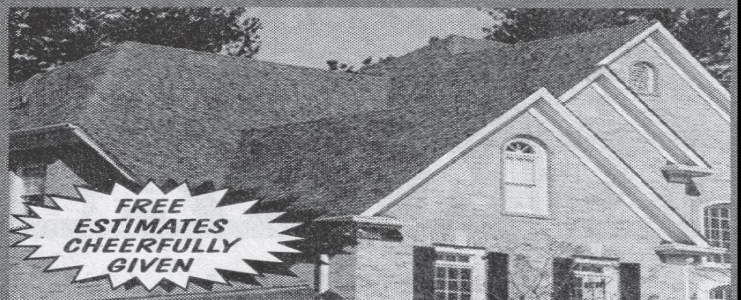


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Summer Activities in Edmondson Heights

Summer Picnic in the Park

On Sunday, July 1, 2018, Edmondson Heights neighbors left their air conditioning to spend time together at the Edmondson Heights Park for hot dogs, chips, watermelon and cold drinks, with side dishes provided by all the attendees. Everyone had the opportunity to meet someone new, and connections were built and strengthened. Our summer picnic was a reminder of how important it is that we take time to build relationships with our neighbors. It is one of the strong points of living in a neighborhood like Edmondson Heights! Many thanks to all who helped to organize the event and to those who joined in the fun!



The 6th annual Edmondson Heights National Night Out was held on Tuesday, August 7, 2018 in the Edmondson Heights Park. This evening offered the great opportunity to meet with 1st District Councilman, Tom Quirk and Charles E. Sydnor III, Esq., representative to the House of Delegates for District 44B. Additionally, Captain Wes Fischer, Officer Brenda Clark and her partner from the Woodlawn Police Precinct 2 came to talk with our residents regarding their issues and concerns with the neighborhood. Unfortunately, the fire department was unable to attend that evening as they were out on a fire call. However, Capt. Fischer quickly arranged a police helicopter flyover for our benefit much to the delight of all of us who saw it.

There were lots of fun activities for both the children and adults: face painting by Aubrey Poysa; sidewalk chalk for the budding artists; corn hole to test both the adults and children; and ladder golf.

We had a lovely evening with absolutely NO rain. Everyone had the chance to meet new neighbors and enjoy the grilled hot dogs and delicious desserts. Thanks to everyone who contributed time, brought delicious food to share, helped supervise the children's activities, and assist wherever help was needed. Your enthusiasm and contributions helped make this a wonderful evening for everyone.

We live in an actively involved community. Thanks to everyone for your commitment.

Edmondson Heights Next Door

https://edmondsonheights.nextdoor.com/login/?next=/news_feed/ Edmondson Heights Next Door is a socially interactive website similar to Facebook but for use only by registered residents of Edmondson Heights sponsored by the Edmondson Heights Civic Association, Inc. On our site, neighbors share community events, recommendations, items for sale/free, crime/safety concerns, ideas about how to make our neighborhood better, and more. Please join us to build a better neighborhood! This website is free and very easy to join. Check it out and while you are at it, check out our Association website at www.ehcaonline.org and join our email. To join this website, simply go to the above website or send an email to president@ehcaonline.org with name and address and I will send you an email invitation to join. Join your many neighbors on this website for the betterment of our community



EDMONDSON HEIGHTS COVENANT GUIDELINES

Residents should be aware that a legally binding set of restrictive covenants apply to all property in the Edmondson Heights Community and were established and initiated by the developer solely for the protection of property values within the community. It has been found that in developments such as our own, composed of groups of homes not individually styled, a certain amount of conformity must be enforced in order to preserve property values. They are a part of your deed, as an official document, recorded among the land records of Baltimore County as laws. By purchasing a house in Edmondson Heights, you have agreed to comply with these covenants even if you were not informed of or did not receive a copy of them at settlement. Covenant violation/s may make it difficult to sell or transfer your home without correction of the violation/s.

The Edmondson Heights Civic Association, Inc. (EHCA, Inc.) as successor and assignee has adopted the following Covenant Guidelines to insure that homeowners, who are considering alterations, comply with the Covenant Guidelines. These Guidelines have been modified and adapted from the Original Covenants that were established in March of 1953. This revision is effective May 1, 2015. Failure to comply with the Covenant Guidelines could result in EHCA, Inc. taking certain enforcement actions authorized under the Maryland Homeowners Association Act and the Maryland Contract and Lien Act. Such enforcement actions could result in delays in future property sale or transfer. Any deviation from the Covenant Guidelines will require a written submission outlining the type of work to be done and the materials to be used along with drawn plan/s delivered to the EHCA, Inc., Board of Governors, at P.O. Box 21150, Baltimore, Maryland 21228-0650. You may also deliver your plan/s to an Officer or Board Member at a regularly scheduled monthly general membership meeting. The EHCA, Inc. Board of Governors retains the sole right to approve or disapprove all plans. Upon approval from the EHCA, Inc. Board of Governors, residents are responsible for obtaining all necessary permits and inspections and for complying with all State and County laws and regulations. Residence dues as determined by the EHCA, Inc. Officers and Board of Governors are due and payable annually to EHCA, Inc.

EHCA, Inc. is charged with enforcing these Guidelines and will investigate all complaints and violations and, if necessary, send a violation notice. Depending on the violation/s, the homeowner will be given from 15 days to 90 days to correct the situation. If you are found in violation/s and you, or anyone acting on your behalf want to discuss it, you must submit a request in writing to meet with the Board of Governors of EHCA, Inc., PO Box 21150, Baltimore, Maryland 21228-0650, stating your situation and the reason for your request. If the violation/s is not corrected in the stated time period, the EHCA, Inc. attorney will begin legal action. The homeowner with the violation/s will be responsible for any and all legal fees.

Boundaries of Edmondson Heights are as follows: 1100 thru 1248 Newfield Road, 1000 thru 1235 Harwall Road, 1101 thru 1197 Granville Road, 1400 thru 1654 Forest Park Avenue, 1080 thru 1196 St Agnes Lane (Even Side Only), 1000 thru 1012 Sanbourne Road, 1437 thru 1531 Ingleside Avenue (Odd Side Only), 1400 thru 1561 Clairidge Road, 1400 thru 1561 Barrett Road, 1400 thru 1655 Kirkwood Road, 1400 thru 1659 Langford Road.

AWNINGS: Only canvas awnings, either in green canvas or green canvas with white trim shall be on the front of middle group homes and/or the side windows of end-of-group homes. All canvas awnings must be removed for the winter months. Rear awnings may be of any type or variety desired, but must not extend beyond the house line so as to be visible from the front street.

FRONT DOORS, STORM DOORS & FRAMES: Front doors may be painted any color desired, although white is preferred. Storm doors must be painted white wood, white baked-on aluminum or vinyl. Door frames must be replaced in the same style as the original design and must be constructed of wood or Fypon in white only. Vinyl or aluminum cladding, in white only, that maintains the original fluted design is acceptable. Security doors may be installed to replace storm doors but must be white. **White Storm or Security doors are required. End of Group homes must maintain the original design Acorn Pediment.**

END-OF-GROUP HOMES: Fascia boards running to the peak must be painted white or be covered with white aluminum or white vinyl. White shingles may be replaced or covered with white aluminum or white vinyl siding.

FENCES: Must not extend forward of the chimney. Fences are only permitted at rear of property. Chain link fences are preferred.

GUTTERS & DOWN SPOUTS: Must be white, brick red or dark brown. Conformity within the group is encouraged.

PORCHES: Front porches must be replaced in the original design and be of concrete. Steps must be poured or prefab concrete, quarry stone or brick. Rear porches may be of wood, concrete or metal.

ROOFS: Roofs must be replaced in the same style as the original slate in slate or asphalt and must be in a neutral color, preferably ranging from light gray to black. Attic fans or solar panels must be installed in the back or side of the roof and not be visible from the front of the house.

PAINTING AND STAINING: All exposed woodwork on the front, side, and rear of a house must be painted white (exception is rear porches). Front porch railings must be painted either black or dark green. Conformity within the group is encouraged. Front porches and the concrete wall below brickwork must be stained the color of concrete. Gray paint is unacceptable. Recommended concrete stain is Behr Premium Solid Color Concrete Stain, Flat Finish, White Base 800, Color Catalina Stone (819).

WINDOWS: Must imitate the original double hung construction. Both sashes must be able to be moved up and down. Windows must be white. Bay windows are permitted on End of Group homes only. Security bars or grills and glass blocks are permitted on basement windows only. Shutters are not permitted.

WOOD STOVES & FIREPLACES: Exposed exhaust piping must be bricked-in, bricks to match existing, and must be located in the rear of the house. If exhaust piping is going through the roof, the exposed pipes must be stainless steel and be located at the rear of the house.



TYPICAL
End of Group Covenant Compliant Home
Front Entrance Door Trim
 Two Original Design Fluted Pilasters and One Plinth Block on each side, Acorn Pediment, Standard Crosshead with 6 Fluted Teeth.

TYPICAL
Middle of Group Covenant Compliant Home
Front Entrance Door Trim
 Two Original Design Fluted Pilasters and One Plinth Block on each side, Standard Crosshead with 6 Fluted Teeth.
Acorn Pediment not allowed.

These Covenant Guidelines are subject to future changes at the discretion of the Officers and Board of Governors. This revision having been reviewed for legal sufficiency by legal counsel and voted on and approved by the Association Officers and Board of Governors and General Membership took effect May 1, 2015 and supersedes all previous versions.

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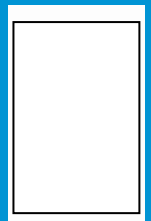


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